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City of Brampton ranked Canada's top Food and Beverage Processing Cluster by Business Facilities Magazine

International recognition highlights Brampton's leadership as one of Canada's premier destinations for food and beverage manufacturing and investment

BRAMPTON, ON (August 5, 2026) – The City of Brampton has been ranked Canada's top Food and Beverage Processing Cluster by [Business Facilities Magazine](#) as part of the publication's 2026 Annual Global Rankings. This ranking recognizes Brampton's leadership in one of Canada's largest and fastest-growing sectors and reflects the City's strong food and beverage ecosystem.

Brampton's food and beverage sector drives economic growth

Brampton's food and beverage processing industry annually contributes more than \$1.3 billion to Canada's GDP and employs approximately 8,500 people across 300 companies. The sector is home to multinational leaders including Maple Lodge Farms, Italpasta, Sofina Foods, Lucid Corp., and Coke Canada Bottling and has welcomed recent investments from Niche Bakers, Handi Foods, HelloFresh and Marc Angelo Foods.

Brampton's food and beverage cluster plays a vital role in economic development, driving growth across Canada's agriculture, manufacturing, retail and hospitality sectors. Recognizing the success and growing influence of Brampton's food and beverage processing sector, the City established the annual Food and Beverage Processing Summit in 2023, bringing together industry leaders, businesses and stakeholders to collaborate on innovation and support the sector's continued competitiveness and growth. To register for this year's fourth annual Summit on September 22, [visit here](#).

The recognition reinforces Brampton's position as a destination for business investment, supported by a strategic location, access to skilled talent, extensive transportation networks and one of Canada's strongest manufacturing ecosystems.

Discover opportunities in Brampton's Food and Beverage Processing Sector

To learn more about Brampton's food and beverage processing cluster, visit [Invest Brampton's Food and Beverage Processing page](#). Businesses, investors and industry partners are encouraged to connect with a Sector Manager to explore opportunities, access business supports and become part of Brampton's growing food and beverage ecosystem.

About Business Facilities Magazine annual rankings

Published annually, the Business Facilities Magazine annual rankings evaluate business destinations around the world across more than 60 categories related to economic development, investment attraction and industry growth. Brampton ranked first in Canada in the publication's Food and Beverage Clusters category, which recognizes metropolitan areas based primarily on the concentration of food processors and employment density. To learn more about Business Facilities Magazine's annual rankings and view the complete list, visit this [website](#).

Quotes

"Being recognized as Canada's top Food and Beverage Cluster is a testament to Brampton's thriving food and beverage industry and the businesses that continue to invest and grow here. This recognition reflects the strength of our manufacturing sector, our talented workforce and our commitment to creating the conditions for businesses to succeed. As Brampton continues to attract new investment and create high-quality jobs, we are proud to be leading one of Canada's most important food and beverage economies."

- *Patrick Brown, Mayor, City of Brampton*

"Brampton's food and beverage sector is a cornerstone of our local economy and a key driver of innovation, investment and employment. This national recognition highlights the collaborative efforts of industry, government and our economic development team to build a business environment where companies can grow and compete. We look forward to continuing that momentum as Brampton strengthens its position as a leader in food manufacturing."

- *Gurpartap Singh Toor, Regional Councillor, Wards 9 and 10; Chair, Economic Development Committee, City of Brampton*

"From established global manufacturers to growing local businesses, Brampton's food and beverage sector continues to demonstrate resilience, innovation and leadership. Being named Canada's top Food & Beverage Cluster recognizes the strength of our business community and reinforces Brampton's reputation as a destination for investment, economic opportunity and long-term growth."

- *Rowena Santos, Regional Councillor, Wards 1 and 5; Vice-Chair, Economic Development Committee, City of Brampton*

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As one of the fastest-growing big cities in Canada, Brampton is home to 800,000 people and more than 124,000 businesses. People are at the heart of everything we do. We are energized by our diverse communities, we attract investment and we are embarking on a journey to lead technological and environmental innovation. We partner for progress to build a healthy city that is safe, sustainable and successful. Connect with us on [X](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#). Learn more at [brampton.ca](#).

About the City of Brampton's Economic Development Office

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